days of the signing of the contract. The county recorder shall forward to the county attorney a copy of each real estate contract recorded more than one hundred eighty ninety days from the date the contract was signed by the contract seller and contract purchaser. The county attorney shall initiate action in the district court to enforce the provisions of this section. Fines collected pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited in the general fund of the county.

- 7. If a contract seller is subject to the requirements of section 558.70, the contract must be recorded within <u>forty-five thirty</u> days rather than <u>one hundred eighty ninety</u> days and the recording requirement is only satisfied by recording the real estate contract rather than a memorandum of the contract.
- Sec. 2. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to real estate installment contracts signed on or after the effective date of this Act.

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# **CHAPTER 1059**

BANKRUPTCY AND DEBTOR'S EXEMPTIONS — PERSONAL PROPERTY S.F. 2190

**AN ACT** relating to an exemption for a debtor's personal property from execution by creditors in a bankruptcy action.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 627.6, subsection 14, Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:

14. The debtor's interest, not to exceed one thousand dollars in the aggregate, in any cash on hand, bank deposits, credit union share drafts, or other deposits, wherever situated, or in any other personal property not otherwise specifically provided for in whether otherwise exempt or not under this chapter.

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#### **CHAPTER 1060**

ELECTIONS — DOUBLE ELECTION BOARDS AND AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT  $S.F.\ 2218$ 

AN ACT relating to elections by eliminating double election boards and by requiring the commissioner of elections, upon petition, to use automatic tabulating equipment in certain elections and including effective date provisions.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

### DIVISION I DOUBLE ELECTION BOARDS

- Section 1. Section 39A.5, subsection 1, paragraph a, subparagraph (3), Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- (3) Circulating, communicating, or attempting to circulate or communicate information with reference to the result of the counted ballots or making a compilation of vote subtotals before the polls are closed in violation of section 51.11 or 53.23.
  - Sec. 2. Section 43.5, Code Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows:

#### 43.5 Applicable statutes.

The provisions of chapters 39, 39A, 47, 48A, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 57, 58, 59, 61, 62, 68A, and 722 shall apply, so far as applicable, to all primary elections, except as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 3. Section 49.12, Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:

#### 49.12 Election boards.

There shall be appointed in each election precinct an election board which shall ordinarily consist of three or five precinct election officials. At the commissioner's discretion, additional precinct election officials may be appointed to work at any election. Double election boards may be appointed for any precinct as provided by chapter 51. Not more than a simple majority of the members of the election board in any precinct, or of the two combined boards in any precinct for which a double election board is appointed, shall be members of the same political party or organization if one or more registered voters of another party or organization are qualified and willing to serve on the board.

- Sec. 4. Section 49.13, subsection 4, Code Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows: 4. The commissioner shall designate one member of each precinct election board as chairperson of that board. If a counting board authorized by chapter 51 is appointed, the chairperson shall have authority over the mechanics of the work of both boards. At the discretion of the commissioner, two people who are members of different political parties
- discretion of the commissioner, two people who are members of different political parties may be appointed as co-chairpersons. The co-chairpersons shall have joint authority over the work of the precinct election board.
- Sec. 5. Section 49.25, subsection 3, Code Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows: 3. The commissioner shall furnish to each precinct the necessary ballot boxes, suitably
- 3. The commissioner shall furnish to each precinct the necessary ballot boxes, suitably equipped with seals or locks and keys, and voting booths. The voting booths shall provide for voting in secrecy. At least one voting booth in each precinct shall be accessible to persons with disabilities. Ballot boxes shall be locked or sealed before the polls open and shall remain locked or sealed until the polls are closed, except as provided in section 51.7 or to provide necessary service to malfunctioning automatic tabulating equipment. If a ballot box is opened prior to the closing of the polls, two precinct election officials not of the same party shall be present and observe the ballot box being opened.
  - Sec. 6. Section 49.104, subsection 3, Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- 3. Any number of persons not exceeding three at a time from each of such political parties, appointed and accredited in the same manner as above prescribed for challenging committees, to witness the counting of ballots. Subject to the restrictions of section 51.11, the witnesses may observe the counting of ballots by a counting board during the hours the polls are open in any precinct for which double election boards have been appointed.
  - Sec. 7. Section 331.383, Code Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows: 331.383 Duties and powers relating to elections.

The board shall ensure that the county commissioner of elections conducts primary, general, city, school, and special elections in accordance with applicable state law. The board shall canvass elections in accordance with sections 43.49 to 43.51, 43.60 to 43.62, 46.24, 50.13, 50.24 to 50.29, 50.44 to 50.47, 260C.39, 275.25, 277.20, 376.1, 376.7, and 376.9. The board shall prepare and deliver a list of persons nominated in accordance with section 43.55, provide for a recount in accordance with section 50.48, provide for election precincts

in accordance with sections 49.3, 49.4, 49.6 to 49.8, and 49.11, pay election costs as provided in section 47.3, participate in election contests as provided in sections 62.1A and 62.9, and perform other election duties required by state law. The board may authorize additional precinct election officials as provided in section 51.1, provide for the use of an optical scan voting system as provided in sections 52.2, 52.3, and 52.8, and exercise other election powers as provided by state law.

- Sec. 8. REPEAL. Sections 51.1, 51.2, 51.3, 51.4, 51.5, 51.6, 51.7, 51.8, 51.9, 51.10, 51.11, 51.12, 51.13, and 51.14, Code 2009, are repealed.
  - Sec. 9. REPEAL. Section 51.15, Code Supplement 2009, is repealed.

# DIVISION II USE OF AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT AT CERTAIN ELECTIONS

- Sec. 10. Section 49.26, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- b. If the commissioner concludes, <u>pursuant to paragraph "a"</u>, that voting will probably be so light as to make counting of ballots by the precinct election officials less expensive than preparation and use of automatic tabulating equipment, paper ballots <u>shall may</u> be used, <u>subject to paragraph "c"</u>. The <u>If paper ballots are used, the commissioner may shall</u> use ballots and instructions similar to those used when the ballots are counted by automatic tabulating equipment.
- Sec. 11. Section 49.26, subsection 2, Code Supplement 2009, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- <u>NEW PARAGRAPH</u>. *c*. Notwithstanding a determination by the commissioner pursuant to paragraph "*b*", upon receipt of a petition signed by not less than one hundred eligible electors, the commissioner shall count the ballots at an election described in paragraph "*a*" using automatic tabulating equipment. A petition filed under this paragraph must be received by the commissioner not later than 5:00 p.m. on the forty-second day before the election.
- Sec. 12. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. This division of this Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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## **CHAPTER 1061**

# NONSUBSTANTIVE CODE CORRECTIONS S.F. 2237

**AN ACT** relating to nonsubstantive Code corrections and providing effective dates and for retroactive applicability.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

#### DIVISION I MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- Section 1. Section 9A.102, subsection 2, Code Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- 2. "Athlete agent" means an individual who enters into an agency contract with a student athlete or, directly or indirectly, recruits or solicits a student athlete to enter into an agency